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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO

CIVIL ACTION NO. 99-M-1386

THE UNITED STATE OF AMERICA and THE STATE OF COLORADO,

Plaintiffs,

٧.

RICO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; WAYNE WEBSTER; and VIRGINIA SELL,

Defendants.

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NOTICE OF DEFAULT

THIS MATTER is before the Court on the United States' Request for Entry of Default as to Defendant Rico Development Corporation filed on September 11, 2000. The undersigned clerk has read the motion and the attached affidavit of Stephen D. Taylor, Assistant United States Attorney, and has reviewed the file. The original return of service filed with the Clerk of the Court on October 18, 1999 indicates that the defendants were served the summons and original complaint in this action. For a period of time defendant RICO Development Corporation was represented by counsel, however, that counsel was allowed to withdraw and the corporate defendant was given to a date certain for new counsel to enter an appearance. To date, no new counsel has

appeared on behalf of the corporate defenant. On May 3, 2000, the Court ordered all

of the defendants herein to file answers in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil

Procedure. Calculating the time for filing answers from May 3, 2000, allowing 3 days

for mail to allow for a conservative calculation, the due date for the answer would have

been May 26, 2000; that date is past.

Since the date of service of the Order of May 3, 2000, to date of this notice, no

answer, response or entry of appearance has been filed for RICO DEVELOPMENT

CORPORATION. Therefore,

Default by defendant RICO DEVELOPEMENT CORPORATION is herewith

noted.

Dated: September 15, 2000.

BY THE COURT:

JAMES R. MANSPEAKER, CLERK

United States District Court - Colorado

Deborah M. Craveh

Deputy Clerk

Civil Action NO. 99-M-1386 Notice of Default Page 2

Certificate of Service

The undersigned certifies that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Default was served on September 15, 2000, by:

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Judge Richard P. Matsch

Magistrate Judge O. Edward Schlatter

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NOTICE OF DEFAULT

THIS MATTER is before the Court on the State of Colorado's Request for Entry of Default as to Defendant Rico Development Corporation filed on September 14, 2000. The undersigned clerk has read the motion and the attached affidavit of Annette M. Quill, Assistant Attorney General for the State of Colorado, and has reviewed the file. The original return of service filed with the Clerk of the Court on October 18, 1999 indicates that the defendants were served the summons and original complaint in this action. For a period of time defendant RICO Development Corporation was represented by counsel, however, on April 17, 2000 that counsel was allowed to withdraw and the corporate defendant RICO Development Corporation was given to

May 2, 2000, to enter its appearance by substitute counsel. To date, no new counsel

has appeared on behalf of the corporate defendant RICO Development Corporation.

On May 3, 2000, the Court granted plaintiffs' permission to file an amended complaint

and ordered all of the defendants herein to file answers in accordance with the Federal

Rules of Civil Procedure. The First Amended Complaint was filed on May 23, 2000.

Allowing 20 days under the Rules for filing answers and calculating the time from May

23, 2000, allowing 3 days for mailing for a more conservative calculation, the due date

for Answers would have been June 15, 2000.

Since the date of service of the Order of May 3, 2000, and the filing of the First

Amended Complaint on May 23, 2000, to the date of this notice, no answer, response

or entry of appearance has been filed for RICO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

Therefore,

Default by defendant RICO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION is herewith

noted.

Dated: September 20, 2000.

BY THE COURT:

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